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SUBJ: SHAH TO VISIT TURKEY

AT AUDIENCE ON AUGUST 18, THE SHAH RPLIED, IN RESPONSE TO A QUESTION, THAT HE HAD NO PLANS TO LEAVE IRAN DURING THE NEXT FEW WEEKS EXCEPT FOR A STATE VISIT TO TURDEY WHICH IS SCHEDULED TO BEGIN ON OCTOBER 28. HE COMMENTED THAT TRUKEY NEEDS ATTENTION THESE DAYS AND THAT HE IS SOMEWHAT CONCERNED AT REPORTS HE HEARS OF TURKISH ATTITUDES AND POSSIBLE FUTURE SHIFTS IN FOREIGN POLICY. HE HAS HAD A REPORT FROM ONE OF HIS CENTO REPRESENTATIVES WHO SAT IN ON A RECENT MEETING BETWEEN CENTO SECRETARY GENERAL BAYULKEN AND A VISITING AMERICAN GENERAL. AS REPORTED TO THE SHAH, BAYULKEN IS ALLEGED TO HAVE COMMENTED THAT TURKEY HAS VARIOUS OPTIONS SUCH AS IDENTIFYING FAR MORE CLOSELY WITH THE ARAB NATIONS, OR BECOMING A COUNTRY WITH AN ORIENTATION LIKE BULGARIA, OF FORMING A PARTNERSHIP WITH IRAN LOOKING TO A POSITION OF STRENGTH IN THIS PART OF THE WORLD. THE SHAH REGARDS ALL OF THESE OPTIONS AS PECULIAR AND UNACCEPTABLE, PARTICULARLY THE LAST NAMED, AND WONDERS WHAT BAYULKEN COULD POSSIBLY HAVE IN MIND. ON THIS OCCASION HE DID NOT BELABOR, AS HE HAS ON OTHERS, THE DISASTROUS NATURE OF US CONGRESSIONAL ACTIONS WITH RESPECT TO TURKEY.

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